

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed December 17, 2004, claims 4-16 and 18-24 were allowed. Claims 25-34 were rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. Claim 25 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by US 6,646,318 (Hopper et al.). Examiner indicated that claims 26-34 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection under 35 USC 112, second paragraph.

Applicant herein requests cancellation of claim 25, and amends claims 26-34 to contain the limitations of their former base claim.

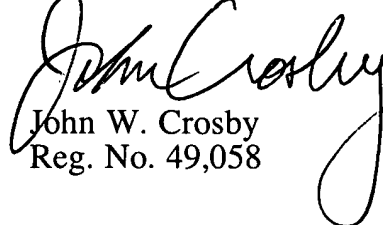
Applicant thanks Examiner for identifying allowable subject matter. Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are now in condition for allowance and requests the Examiner to place this application in condition for allowance.

If Examiner feels that there are any remaining issues that may be resolved by telephone, Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at Examiner's earliest convenience.

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